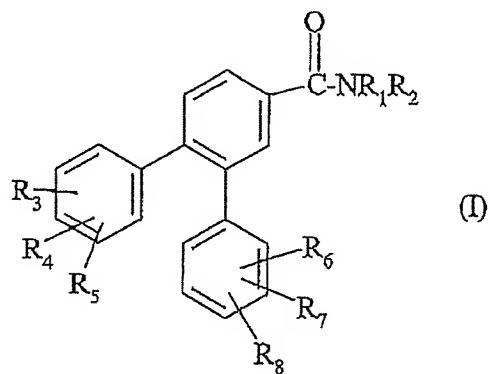


**Amendment Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121**

**IN THE CLAIMS**

The claims set forth below with amendments as indicated will replace all prior versions and listing of claims in the application.

1. (Currently amended) **Compounds A compound** of formula (I):



in which:

- $R_1$  represents hydrogen or a ( $C_1$ - $C_4$ )alkyl;
- $R_2$  represents: - a ( $C_3$ - $C_7$ )alkyl group,
  - an indan-1-yl or 1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalen-1-yl group, said groups being unsubstituted or substituted by a halogen atom **and/or** a methyl group;
  - a saturated, single-nitrogen heterocyclic radical of 5 to 7 atoms, the nitrogen atom being substituted by a ( $C_1$ - $C_4$ )alkyl, benzyl, ( $C_1$ - $C_3$ )alkoxycarbonyl or ( $C_1$ - $C_4$ )alkanoyl group;
  - a group  $NR_9R_{10}$ ;
  - a group  $(CH_2)_nR_{11}$ ,  $CH(CH_3)R_{11}$ ,  $(CH_2)_mN(CH_3)R_{11}$ ;
  - a  $C_3$ - $C_{12}$  nonaromatic carbocyclic radical, unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by a methyl group;
- or  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached form either a piperazin-1-yl radical substituted in position 4 by a phenyl or benzyl

group, or a piperidin-1-yl radical disubstituted in position 4 by a phenyl or benzyl group and by a (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkyl or (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>)alkanoyl group; the phenyl or benzyl group substituents on the piperazin-1-yl radical or the piperidin-1-yl radical being unsubstituted or substituted by a halogen atom **and/or** a methyl group;

- R<sub>3</sub>, R<sub>4</sub>, R<sub>5</sub>, R<sub>6</sub>, R<sub>7</sub> and R<sub>8</sub> represent each independently of one another a hydrogen or halogen atom or a (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)alkyl, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)alkoxy or trifluoromethyl group;
- R<sub>9</sub> and R<sub>10</sub> together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached form a saturated or unsaturated heterocyclic radical of 5 to 10 atoms containing or not containing a second heteroatom selected from O and N, said radical being unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by a (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkyl, hydroxyl or (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkoxy group;
- R<sub>11</sub> represents: - a phenyl which is unsubstituted or substituted by one or more substituents selected from a halogen atom and a methyl group;  
**-a heteroaryl radical of 6 to 10 atoms containing one or more nitrogen atoms;**
- n represents 1, 2 or 3; **and**
- m represents 0, 2 or 3; **or**

**and their salts, their solvates and their hydrates a salt, solvate or hydrate thereof.**

2. **(currently amended)** A compound according to claim 1 of formula (I) in which:

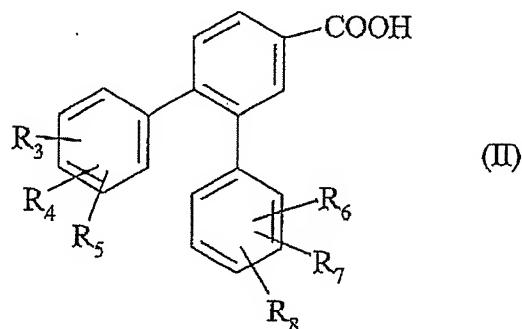
- R<sub>1</sub> represents a hydrogen atom or a (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkyl group;
- R<sub>2</sub> represents a group NR<sub>9</sub>R<sub>10</sub> or a nonaromatic C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>12</sub> carbocyclic radical which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by a methyl group;
- R<sub>3</sub>, R<sub>4</sub>, R<sub>5</sub>, R<sub>6</sub>, R<sub>7</sub> and R<sub>8</sub> represent each independently of one another a hydrogen or halogen atom or a (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)alkyl, (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>)alkoxy or trifluoromethyl group; **and**
- R<sub>9</sub> and R<sub>10</sub> together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached form a saturated or unsaturated heterocyclic radical of 5 to 10 atoms, containing or not containing a second heteroatom selected from O and N, said radical being unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by a (C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>)alkyl group; **or**

~~and their salts, their solvates and their hydrates a salt, solvate or hydrate thereof.~~

3. (currently amended) A compound according to claim 1 of formula (I) in which:

- $R_1$  represents a hydrogen atom; **and/or**
- $R_2$  represents a group selected from piperidin-1-yl, pyrrolidin-1-yl, cyclohexyl, spiro[5.5]undecanyl and 1,3,3-trimethylbicyclo[2.2.1]heptan-2-yl; **and/or**
- at least one of the substituents  $R_3$ ,  $R_4$  and  $R_5$  represents a halogen atom or a trifluoromethyl group; **and/or**
- at least one of the substituents  $R_6$ ,  $R_7$  and  $R_8$  represents a halogen atom.

4. (withdrawn) A process for preparing a compound of formula (I) according to claim 1 wherein a functional derivative of terphenylic acid of formula:



in which  $R_3$ ,  $R_4$ ,  $R_5$ ,  $R_6$ ,  $R_7$  and  $R_8$  are as defined for a compound of formula (I) in claim 1 is treated with an amine of formula  $HNR_1R_2$  (III) in which  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are as defined for a compound of formula (I) in claim 1.

5. - 7. (cancelled)

8. (previously presented) A pharmaceutical composition which comprises a compound of formula (I) according to claim 1 or one of its pharmaceutically acceptable salts, hydrates or solvates, and at least one pharmaceutically acceptable excipient.

9. (cancelled)

10. **(withdrawn)** A method for treating psychotic disorders, memory and cognitive disorders, appetite disorders and obesity, or for tobacco withdrawal or alcohol withdrawal which comprises administering to a patient in need of such treatment an effective amount of a compound according to claim 1.

11. **(currently amended)** A compound according to claim 2 of formula (I) in which:

- $R_1$  represents a hydrogen atom or a  $(C_1-C_4)alkyl$  group;
- $R_2$  represents a group  $NR_9R_{10}$  or a nonaromatic  $C_3-C_{12}$  carbocyclic radical which is unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by a methyl group;
- $R_3, R_4, R_5, R_6, R_7$  and  $R_8$  represent each independently of one another a hydrogen or halogen atom or a  $(C_1-C_6)alkyl$ ,  $(C_1-C_6)alkoxy$  or trifluoromethyl group; **and**
- $R_9$  and  $R_{10}$  together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached form a saturated or unsaturated heterocyclic radical of 5 to 10 atoms, containing or not containing a second heteroatom selected from O and N, said radical being unsubstituted or substituted one or more times by a  $(C_1-C_4)alkyl$  group; **or**  
**and their salts, their solvates and their hydrates a salt, solvate or hydrate thereof.**

12. **(original)** A pharmaceutical composition which comprises a compound of formula (I) according to claim 2 or one of its pharmaceutically acceptable salts, hydrates or solvates, and at least one pharmaceutically acceptable excipient.

13. **(original)** A pharmaceutical composition which comprises a compound of formula (I) according to claim 3 or one of its pharmaceutically acceptable salts, hydrates or solvates, and at least one pharmaceutically acceptable excipient.

14. **(original)** A pharmaceutical composition which comprises a compound of formula (I) according to claim 11 or one of its pharmaceutically acceptable salts, hydrates or solvates, and at least one pharmaceutically acceptable excipient.

**15. - 17. (cancelled)**

**18. (withdrawn)** A method for treating psychotic disorders, memory and cognitive disorders, appetite disorders and obesity, or for tobacco withdrawal or alcohol withdrawal which comprises administering to a patient in need of such treatment an effective amount of a compound according to claim 2.

**19. (withdrawn)** A method for treating psychotic disorders, memory and cognitive disorders, appetite disorders and obesity, or for tobacco withdrawal or alcohol withdrawal which comprises administering to a patient in need of such treatment an effective amount of a compound according to claim 3.

**20. (withdrawn)** A method for treating psychotic disorders, memory and cognitive disorders, appetite disorders and obesity, or for tobacco withdrawal or alcohol withdrawal which comprises administering to a patient in need of such treatment an effective amount of a compound according to claim 11.